

ESP mAb 3C6 conjugated to AlexaFluor 488 identifies sperm head in post-coital sample eluted from cotton swab.

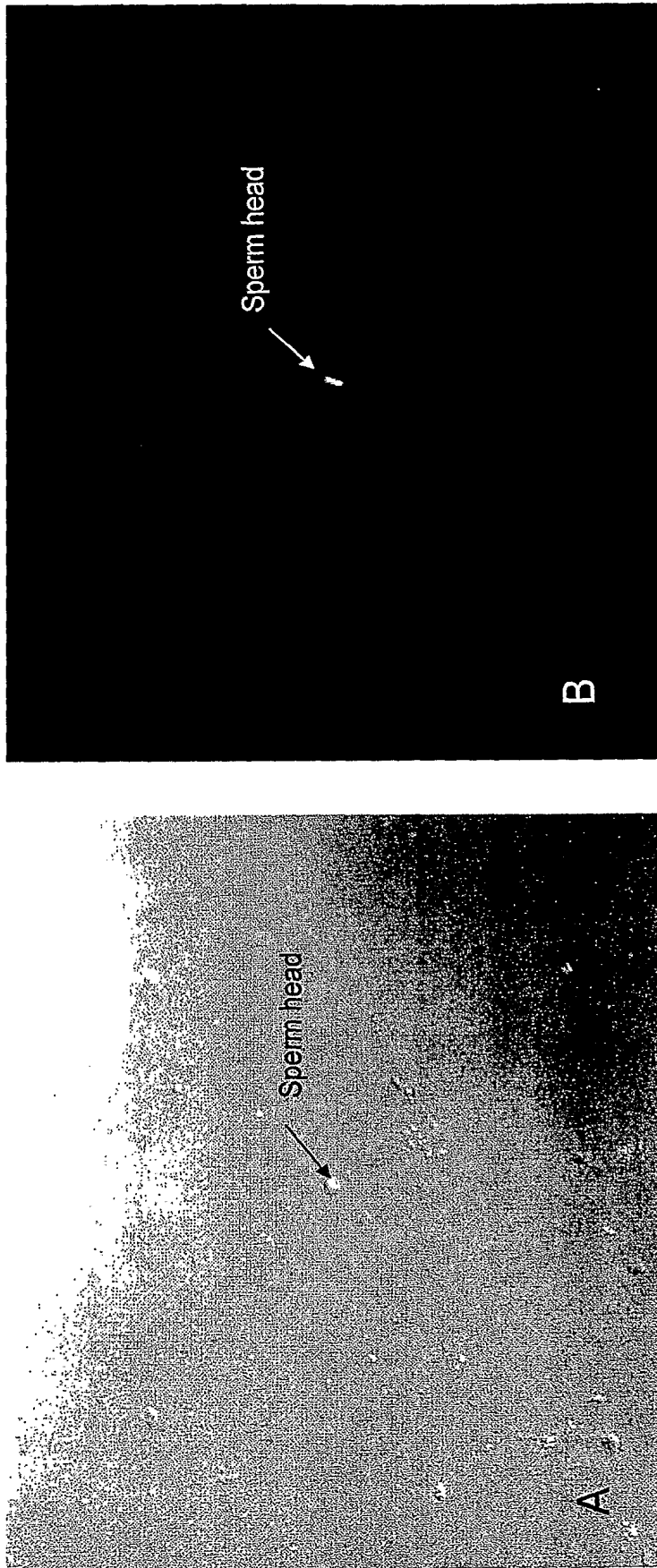


Figure 1. Phase contrast (A) and immunofluorescent image (B). Anti-ESP mAb stains the equatorial segment of a sperm eluted from a post coital sample. The equatorial segment staining pattern is a distinctive band across the mid-region of the sperm. Other biological material in this field is not stained with the antibody so that the sperm head is clearly visible against a dark background.

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CABYR-A mAb 3A4 conjugated to AlexaFluor 488
identifies sperm tails in post-coital sample eluted from a cotton swab

Phase contrast

Fluorescence

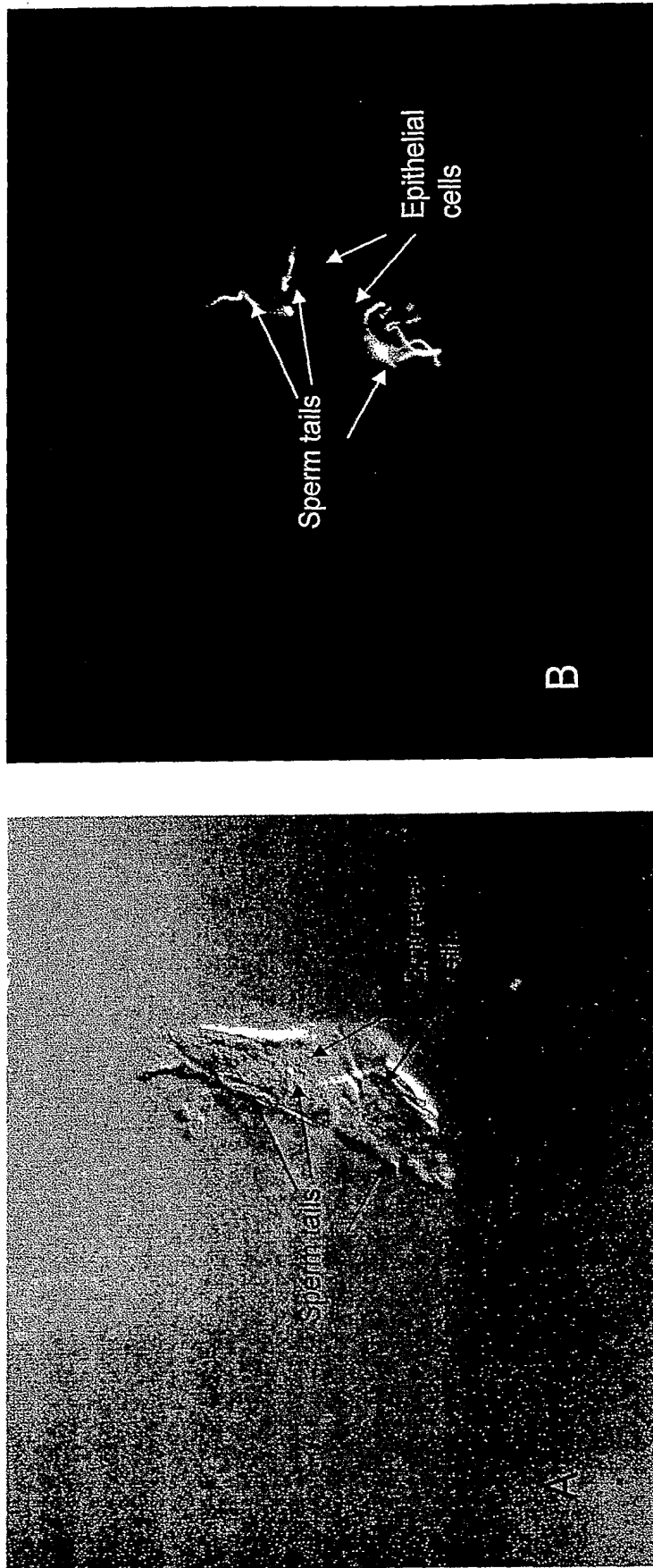


Figure 2. Phase Contrast (A) and immunofluorescent image (B). Anti-CABYR-A mAb stains the principal piece of sperm tails eluted from a post coital sample. In this field, sperm are attached to epithelial cells and are difficult to resolve in the phase contrast view at left but stand out brilliantly against a dark background with fluorescently labeled antibody on the right due to the fluorescence of the sperm flagellum.

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